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NORTH VIETNAM

Extensive Flooding Near Vinh and in Red River Delta

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GIANT SCALE photography of [ ] shows that recent typhoons and monsoon rains have caused extensive flooding near Vinh and throughout the Red River Delta. In the Vinh area, the Song Ca and Song La Giang have flooded large areas, affecting logistics movement and rail construction. More than 170 cargo trucks were backed up along Route 1A near the ferry slip on the north bank of the Song Ca. The Song Ca rail ferry slips under construction near Yen Thai were flooded and the railbed was cut on the south bank.

In the Red River Delta the main rail lines and highways were serviceable, but damage was heavy to the secondary roads and to the Kep/Hon Gai meter gauge rail line. The rail bridges over the Song Nhat Duc and the Song Mio were destroyed and numerous villages in the delta were isolated. The flood waters have undoubtedly damaged the extensive dike and irrigation system and will probably delay the planting of the second rice crop. (See Figure 1.)

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